IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

2:17-cv-783	2:20-cv-6004	2:21-cv-3424
2:18-cv-1587	2:20-cv-6184	2:21-cv-3597
2:19-cv-1041	2:20-cv-6256	2:21-cv-3635
2:19-cv-2221	2:20-cv-6481	2:21-cv-3851
2:20-cv-1692	2:21-cv-044	2:21-cv-3885
2:20-cv-2523	2:21-cv-133	2:21-cv-3888
2:20-cv-2836	2:21-cv-684	2:21-cv-3899
2:20-cv-3916	2:21-cv-879	2:21-cv-3996
2:20-cv-3971	2:21-cv-883	2:21-cv-4017
2:20-cv-4336	2:21-cv-1410	2:21-cv-4096
2:20-cv-4812	2:21-cv-1598	2:21-cv-4155
2:20-cv-4880	2:21-cv-1847	2:21-cv-4275
2:20-cv-4900	2:21-cv-2280	2:21-cv-4912
2:20-cv-5109	2:21-cv-2478	
2:20-cv-5276	2:21-cv-2987	
2:20-cv-5539	2:21-cv-3114	

NOTICE

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the parties and mediators are ENCOURAGED to attempt mediation via telephone or videoconference.

Each of the above-listed cases has previously been identified as ready for a mediation conference in **February 2022**. Recently, the Court has been forced to vacate or continue more than half of the cases initially set for settlement conferences. In order to avoid the administrative costs associated with vacating a case after it has been set, the Court is making this inquiry to determine if any of the above cases **should not be set** for a Settlement Conference.

As soon as practicable following of the receipt of this Notice, counsel shall confer concerning the readiness of their case for a settlement conference. If all counsel concur that the case is **not** ready to set, counsel shall send an email to <u>ADR@ohsd.uscourts.gov</u> by **4:00pm on January 3, 2022** to advise the Court that the case should **not** be set. Counsel should include in such advice whether the case should be continued to another month and, if so, which month.

Nothing in this Notice is intended to preclude a timely motion to vacate or continue a settlement conference, should the grounds for such motion become apparent only after the case is set for a settlement conference on a specific date and time.

Richard W. Nagel, Clerk of Court United States District Court Southern District of Ohio